

### REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendment and the following remarks. Claim 21 has been cancelled, claims 4-6 and 22 remain pending in this application. No new matter enters by this amendment.

Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 4-6 and 22. Claim 21 has been cancelled in the interest of facilitating prosecution of this application, and without prejudice to pursuing its subject matter in a continuing application. Therefore, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 4-6 and 22 are in condition for immediate allowance, and respectfully requests the Examiner's issuance of a Notice of Allowance.

Should the Examiner have any questions or determine that any further action is desirable to place this application in even better condition for issue, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone applicant's undersigned representative at the number listed below.

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